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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: MULTI-LAYERED BRUSH OF ROTARY ELECTRIC MACHINE AND METHOD
OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

✓ IN THE SPECIFICATION:

✓ Page 1, delete lines 4-8.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-8 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please add new claims 9-11 as follows:

- 9. A method of manufacturing a brush element of a rotary electric machine to be brought by a spring in contact with a commutator, said method comprising the steps of:
filling a first conduction powder into a female die to form a stairs shape
having a higher step and a lower step;

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